Webliography of African-American Champaign-Urbana
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This Lab Note reflects one part of a year-long project called eBlackChampaign-Urbana. Our interest here is to provide better access to the dispersed documentation of local African-American history and culture in Champaign-Urbana, using digital technology to aggregate and enliven historical and contemporary information. Although this webliography focuses primarily on substantial, in-depth texts documenting local African-American life, we are also aggregating into the eBlackCU.net website URLs for local African-American websites, facebook pages, photographs, newspaper clippings, flyers, posters and other ephemeral documentation of Champaign-Urbana's Black heritage. All are welcome to help us fill in gaps in this webliography and in our website by visiting http://eBlackCU.net/portal/contribution and adding files, citations, photographs, movies and memories of African-American life in Champaign-Urbana.

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The finalized version of the 2010 edition of this webliography will be released in November 2010 to coincide with the eBlack Champaign-Urbana Campus-Community Symposium, which is open to all (for more information on the symposium or to RSVP visit http://eBlackCU.net). As new sources are created and old sources are digitized this webliography will continue to expand. Visit the website for the most up-to-date edition. As we build out this webliography we can identify gaps in the documentation and gaps in our collective understanding of local African-American life that could be filled by collection efforts by libraries and archives; and documentation projects by high school and college students and teachers.
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2. Community Organizations


Clark, S. (1972). *A Condensed Study Complied for the Urban League of Champaign County*. Features a survey of the issues facing African-American residents of Champaign-Urbana, with the objective that such a survey could inform the programs and initiatives of the local Urban League. [http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/23](http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/23).


3. Primary and Secondary Education


Illinois Public Media. (2008). *Voices of Great Schools Together: A Community Multimedia Project of WILL Public Media*. Featuring interviews with Champaign residents that attend community planning forums on the future of the district. Many of the comments center around on-going inequalities in the district, and the fight to eliminate them. [http://will.illinois.edu/greatschools/index.htm](http://will.illinois.edu/greatschools/index.htm).


4. Black Experience on Campus


———. (1998). "We Hope for Nothing, We Demand Everything": Black Students at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign." (PhD, University of Illinois). Includes the analysis of numerous oral histories with Project 500 participants conducted during the course of this research, which are to be donated to the University of Illinois Archives Student Life and Culture Program for public access. http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/571.


5. Campus-Community Interaction and Initiatives


Rhodes, R. (1975). The Frances Nelson Health Center's School Aid Project: An Effective Approach to Problems of Black Exclusion from Public School? (MA, University of Illinois). Describes and critically analyzes a community psychology program designed to supplement and augment the Champaign School District, and operated at the
Frances Nelson Center in the mid-1970s.
http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/475.

http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/121.


Urban League Archives, Champaign County Historical Archives. (1970s) Community Advocacy Depot File.
http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/139.

6. Civil Rights and other Activism

http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/85.

http://www.library.illinois.edu/archives/uasfa/2202020.pdf


http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/95.

Robinson, S. (1961). Job Discrimination, in SLATE Summer Conference. Describes discrimination in the twin-cities and the response by the Ministerial Alliance. Skip Robinson was a psychology student at UIUC.

http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/302.


7. Religious Life


http://canaanbaptisturbana.org/about.


http://www.emptytomb.org/about.html.

http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/89.


http://hdl.handle.net/2142/13189.

http://www.library.illinois.edu/archives/archon/index.php?p=collections/controlcard&id=3807. Includes records on Scott's role as choo director of Bethel A.M.E. Also
includes records relating to his other civic activities in the North End during the early twentieth century.

http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/570.

7a. Religious Life: Salem Baptist Church

Editors' Note: Salem Baptist Church was an early partner in the eBlackChampaign-Urbana project. This sub-section on the Church represents a case-study for comprehensive digitization of the documentation of a community organization's history using publicly accessible source material. Our ultimate goal is to expand our webliography to this length for ALL community organizations and churches in Champaign-Urbana through the active participation of University and community individuals in the digitization of local history.

Doris K. Wylie Hoskins Archive for Cultural Diversity, Early American Museum. Salem Baptist Church Files.
http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/167.


http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/265.

Kinase-Leggett, H.. (2000). About Time... (Some Patterns of Time-Reckoning). (PhD, University of Illinois). Section two of the dissertation focuses on a cultural anthropology of St. Luke's Church and Salem Baptist Church, both in the historical North End. Kinase-Leggett became a member of the local chapter of the National Council of Negro Women during the course of her research.
http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/96.


———. (1993). A New Beginning (Keeping Christ as the Focus): Dedication Services for the New Sanctuary.
http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/168.


http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/18.

http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/171.

http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/17.


8. Business and Economics

http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/19.


eblackCU project Team. (2010). North First Street Exhibit.
http://eblackcu.net/portal/exhibits/show/firststreet.

http://eblackcu.net/portal/items/show/298.

Illinois History and Lincoln Collections. (acquired 2009). John Lee Jonson Papers. Primarily government records and meeting minutes, also features planning reports for the re-development of the North First Street business district, basing that re-development on black entrepreneurship. The John Lee Johnson papers also include records of the Concerned Citizens' Council, Regional Planning Commission, Champaign County Health Care Consumers, Illinois Center for Citizen Involvement, Eads Street Development Corporation, and the lawsuit against the Champaign School District that led to the Consent Decree.


9. Crime, Policing and Gangs


10. Sports and recreation


11. Music


12. Genealogy and Family


The Community Informatics Research Lab is a facility opened in January 2008 in order to study the interaction of local communities and information technology in the tradition of the bench sciences, with a physical lab space for multiple projects. For more information contact Kate Williams, The Graduate School of Library and Information Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 501 East Daniel Street MC-493, Champaign, Illinois 61820-6211 USA, telephone (217) 244-9128, or email katewill@illinois.edu.